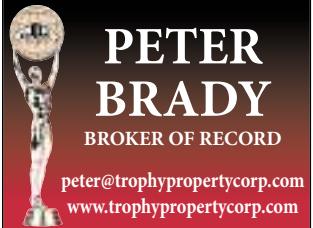


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Christine Bishop is captured in the air in the 10th annual Nutcracker staged by the Heritage Ballet studio at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton. Several dancers from the studio's past came to show. See more on page 3.

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Burton elected county warden

Matthew Desrosiers
Editor

Haliburton County's new warden for 2014 is coming out of Highlands East.

Dave Burton, Highlands East reeve, was named warden during a special meeting of county council on Dec. 17. He replaces Algonquin Highlands reeve Carol Moffatt in the role.

Rev. Bev Hicks began the meeting with a prayer and message for county councillors as they move forward into 2014.

"I'd like to begin tonight by reflecting on the spring disaster which took place back in April," he said. "On a couple of occasions I heard it referred to as an act of God. There was an act of God, but it wasn't in the disaster itself."

Rev. Hicks said the way the county's communities came together to support one another after the flood was the real act of God during the disaster.

"It shows the heart of the people in this county, and the character of the people is also a reflection of the leadership that this county has," he said. "Count it as a blessing, an honour, and a privilege to be able to govern and lead the people of this county."

After the prayer, Highlands East deputy-reeve Suzanne Partridge put forth her nomination for Burton.

"In the past three years, I've been really pleased and impressed with the leadership Dave [Burton] has shown in Highlands East and the vision he's had in our communities," she said. "I hope he can bring that to county council."

Dysart et al deputy-reeve Bill Davis seconded the nomination, and Burton won his seat by acclamation.

In his speech, Burton acknowledged the past warden's work in the county.

"Carol [Moffatt], you've had a very successful year," he said. "I look forward to working with you, and I look forward to your support. You've certainly raised the bar here and thank you for doing that."

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Pond Hockey Championships given not-for-profit status

Pond Hockey has found a permanent home in Haliburton County.

Last winter Haliburton Village was the site of the eighth annual Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships, and the festivities are returning in 2014.

For two weekends, Jan. 24-26 and Jan. 31-Feb 2, more than 1,400 people will travel to the county to participate in the event.

Dubbed the world's largest pond hockey tournament, the 2014 event will experience some changes, including being centrally located at Head Lake. Volunteers will help build 30 rinks for the tournament, which is organized by J-core Marketing.

Previously held in Huntsville, the CNPHC has recently been given a not-for-profit status, according to a press release from organizers.

"As an NFP organization any surplus funds raised during the tournament will be retained and used towards building a foundation for future tournaments in the hopes that we can continue to expand and enhance the quality of this great event," reads the release. "The plan is that as an NFP organization, the championships will be able to give back and develop a legacy plan that will benefit other local events in Haliburton and surrounding area. This will help with future growth within the community. One goal is that the community will reap several benefits by valuable equipment purchased for this event."

Another change to the tournament is the appointment of Alysha Socha as the official volunteer coordinator.

From the Haliburton area, Socha has "a keen drive and sense of enthusiasm for this event and all things community," reads the release.

"Alysha is looking forward to working with another fantastic team of dedicated individuals who want to come out and be a part of something special," says the release.

Organizers have also entered into an arrangement with Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre, the host venue for the tournament. Pinestone will be the event sponsor and host of the Saturday night parties, according to organizers.

All games are free of charge to spectators and all are welcome to participate in the festivities.

The tournament will provide an opportunity to cheer on your favourite team and catch the spirit of hockey.

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Any questions about registration please contact Angela Broadley: ang@j-coremarketing.com.

Burton to push OPP billing issue

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Burton said his role as warden will be to build his team and use their strengths to tackle issues that are important to the county.

"Consulting and working with lower tiers is so important, addressing and tackling OPP costs," he said. "That's something that's really going to put us behind the eight-ball if we don't."

County council will continue to push the issue, along with support from the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) and the Warden's Caucus, he said.

Other issues Burton identified were collaborating with the Trent-Severn Waterway to protect the county's interests, identifying efficiencies in existing systems so the county can do more with less, and continuing to develop the county's tourism and marketing strategies.

"There are a number of issues out there," he said. "They're complex, [but] I believe the solutions are here. We have the experience around this table, we have the technology, we have the knowledge, and we certainly have the willpower to move forward."

"I'm going to make a pledge that I will bring all my best efforts forward, but I'll need you [councillors] to bring all your best efforts to me."

Falls prevention and exercise classes

Starting in January 2014, Community Care Haliburton County, in partnership with Closing the Gap, will be providing Falls Prevention and Exercise Classes. To date, Haliburton Village and Minden are the two locations within the county that have been chosen to deliver the expansion classes. The Central East (Local Health Intergration Network) has received funding to replace previous OHIP funded classes, and introduce new and expanded sites/classes. Haliburton is part of this. Eight community support

service agencies in the Central East LHIN are responsible for supporting the implementation of publicly funded exercise and falls prevention classes in retirement homes and other group settings. Individuals are encouraged to contact their local lead agency to obtain more information on future classes.

Referrals for this service can be made to Community Care Haliburton County at 705-457-2941 or 1-855-285-2944, or office number 705-324-5085.



Matthew Desrosiers Editor

Haliburton County's 2014 warden Dave Burton receives the robe of office from past warden Carol Moffatt after his election on Dec. 17.

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Nutcracker celebrates 10-year anniversary



Daryl Woodley holds a pose.

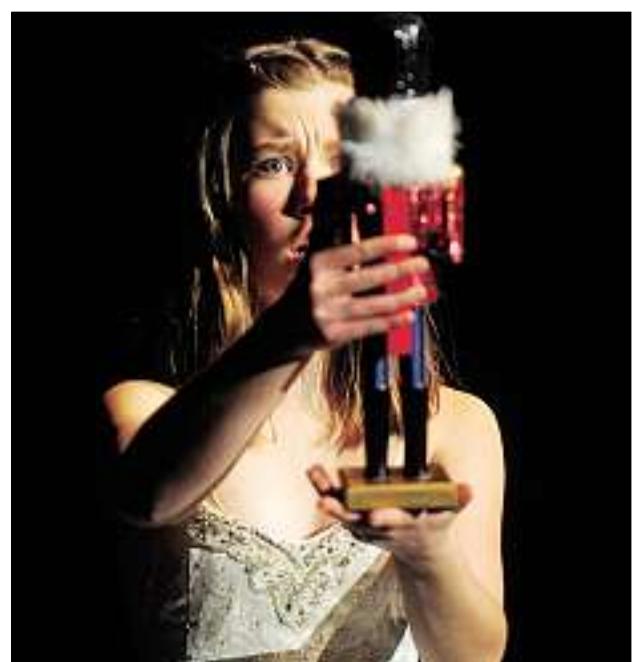


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Ballet dancer Rebecca Kidd shines as ballet dancers move around her in the 10th annual Nutcracker staged by the Heritage Ballet studio at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton.



The 10th annual Nutcracker was staged by the Heritage Ballet studio at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Thursday, Dec. 19 for the dress rehearsal. Several dancers from the studio's past came to perform in the performance, marking the 10-year anniversary.



Madeline Hopkins, playing Marie, looks at the nutcracker.

Highly anticipated tournament scores for Community Care

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Just like how the game of hockey is integral to the very identity of Haliburton County, so is the annual Scotty Morrison Hockey tournament.

It is a major fundraiser for Community Care Haliburton County, which ensures an important provision of service to thousands of people in the community, stretching from Kinmount to Dorset, Harcourt to Carnarvon and every place in between.

The services include friendly visiting, home maintenance, meals on wheels, security checks, social recreation and transportation.

Scotty Morrison continues to be heavily involved in the tournament. He hasn't slowed down in five years.

"It is definitely because it is for Community Care. That's the big thing," he said. "In the five preceding years I think the net amount raised for Community Care is something like [\$139,000]. That's a big thing in a community like this. That's one of the reasons I'm happy to be involved with."

Community Care hopes to raise \$40,000 this year from the event.

Morrison, who is excited to bring the Memorial Cup for the first time, truly loves to make this event special. The best team from the Canadian Hockey League's three regional leagues (Ontario Hockey League, Quebec Major Junior Hockey League and the Western Hockey League) wins the Memorial Cup. He is currently working on bringing the Stanley Cup too.

He is hoping in the future February could be considered "hockey month," as it includes his tournament, the Haliburton County Home Builders Association tournament, and the Canadian National Pond Hockey Championships.

Retired high school teacher and event volunteer Walter Tose knows first-hand the importance of Community Care.

"You realize just how important the services they provide. For me, not that other causes aren't worthy that are province or nation wide, you feel rewarded that you're supporting something where you can see the concrete results. You can see who it's benefiting. That it's benefiting people in your own community, specifically," he said. "I'd say that is true of all the people that are involved, including Scotty."

Tose has been a volunteer driver with the organization for the past three years,

The three-day event has a lot to offer participants.

Cody Hodgson is sponsoring Scotty's Cocktail Party and Auction, starting at 7 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 31 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton.

Hodgson has provided auction items such as an auto-



Darren Lum Staff

The sixth annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament continues to be a success because of the community's support, said volunteer Walter Tose. He appreciates the support from participants, area businesses and the entire community in raising \$139,000 net the past five years Community Care Haliburton County.

graphed sweater and hockey stick.

The dinner is catered by Rhubarb and features guest speaker David Branch, president of the Canadian Hockey League and commissioner of the Ontario Hockey League.

Branch is also a member of the Hockey Hall of Fame Selection Committee. He has served as the executive director of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association from 1978 to 1979 and the Ontario Hockey Association from 1974 to 1978.

Morrison thought it was appropriate to bring the Memorial Cup because of Branch's appearance.

Besides the games, the event also includes an all-day silent auction the next day with a showcase exhibition game featuring Haliburton Highlands Secondary School hockey alumni at 7 p.m. Admission is by donation.

The first alumni game was held last year.

It's the unique features of the event that draw people every

year, Tose said.

There are already 17 teams committed to playing.

Tose adds there is still one spot remaining for the over 35 division.

All games this year will be at the A.J. LaRue Arena in Haliburton. Next year the site will shift to Minden, alternating each year.

More sponsors are always welcome, said Tose.

There are three levels of commitment: gold, silver and bronze.

Tose and the committee are appreciative and amazed at the support from the community and local businesses. This past year's response was strong, he said, despite the economy.

"It's nice to see people that are willing to provide the support. That's the recognition. They know it is a valuable service."

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Dysart contributes to new bandshell

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the Dec. 16 meeting of Dysart et al council.

Dysart et al is putting in close to \$30,000 for their contribution to the new Head Lake Park bandshell.

A total of \$29,256 will be used from the municipality's parkland reserve fund.

In December of 2012 council approved plans for a new bandshell, presented by the Haliburton Rotary Club.

The service club requested the municipality partner with them on the project, to which councillors agreed and passed a resolution.

The proposed budget of the project is \$105,000, according to treasurer Barbara Swannell's report to staff.

Realtor puts in cottage kit request

Royal LePage real estate agent Anthony vanLieshout wants to jump in on the success of the cottage kits dispersed throughout Haliburton County.

During a delegation to council, vanLieshout suggested a partnership between Royal LePage and the municipality, whereby he would be able to put a business card or pamphlet into the kit.

His proposal included assuming the

responsibility and cost of sourcing the bags and assembling the kits, in exchange for the promotional opportunity.

The municipality puts out 750 kits.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey said council would discuss the proposal in the new year.

Action committee request funds for maps

Sue Shikaze wants more people to have the opportunity to be active.

The chairwoman of the Communities in Action committee made a delegation to council requesting funds for the Walk, Bike and Be Active map produced by the committee.

First produced in 2006, the map is very popular, said Shikaze.

"We continue to receive regular positive feedback on the map and its benefit for helping people get around in the village and surrounding areas," Shikaze wrote to council.

The CIA is requesting the municipality contribute to the reprint by offering in-kind planning services towards updating the map, as well as \$400 to go towards printing costs.

Apart from the municipality, the CIA was going to be seeking funds from the Haliburton Business Improvement Area, Haliburton County Chamber of Commerce and the county.

Total costs for the reprint are \$1,600, which will produce 10,000 maps.

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It's been a busy week

ON MONDAY, The Highlander joined forces with the Haliburton Echo and Minden Times, plus Bancroft This Week and Barry's Bay This Week, under the banner of Maple Key Media.

Our first objective is to get all our publications operating smoothly. Any time you combine businesses, especially when transferring from a large corporation to a small company, there will be unforeseen bumps in the road. The technical challenge of returning production, distribution, ad design, layout, subscriptions and many other functions to the Echo building on Highland Street is huge. We will have some glitches, make some mistakes, and we ask for your patience during the process. I'd like to thank Sun Media for their gracious assistance during this transition.

The Haliburton Echo, Minden Times and The Highlander will continue to cover the institutions and people you care about: our hospitals, schools, town councils, non-profits, events and small businesses. We will be able to expand our reporting of county news, arts and entertainment and the environment, as well as coverage of Algonquin Highlands and Highlands East. Additional effort will be put into stories and features that engage our summer population with our communities and economy.

If the word *monopoly* has come to mind, I understand. I hate monopolies too. But the opposite of monopoly is a market in which there must be winners and losers. In the newspaper industry, this has meant extreme competition and, for those who work in journalism, not a high level of job security. By consolidating these papers, we are ensuring that they can continue. Every employee formerly with Sun Media has been offered a position with Maple Key. Our employees will have greater certainty in their futures, and the community in the ability of its papers to provide complete and accurate coverage.

Our clients will always have choices – two outstanding radio stations among them and a variety of specialty publications – we cannot, and will not, ever take them for granted.

The payoff of course will be that our local newspapers will be designed and put together right here in Haliburton. We'll be better able to handle your last-minute changes, create papers with personalities that reflect our communities, and our clients will know that their ad dollars are continuing to support local jobs and are being recycled into the local economy.

This was not an easy or obvious decision for me. The opportunity was presented relatively recently, and my options were to leave the former-Sun Media papers to an uncertain future; or, to take a leap of faith and ensure that all the papers, and all their employees, remain part of this community. It was not something I had anticipated or tried to effect.

Change in a small community is never easy; resilience is what holds us together. The ownership of these papers may have changed, but their purpose and com-

mitment to the community will continue and grow. We will continue to fight for the issues important to our readers, to support local businesses, to sponsor organizations and events, to stand up for rural values, to help charities raise funds and to provide our communities with comprehensive and quality coverage of the people and events that matter to us here.

And *here* is what this is about. I moved here permanently only five years ago. In that short time, I have made more friends, had more positive experiences and more fulfillment through volunteerism than in the previous 40. My days are filled seeing hard-working, upstanding, passionate people who also love the Highlands, and it is an existence for which I am incredibly grateful. I am also grateful for the acceptance this community has shown, not just to me but to the thousands of people who live here, a diversity of talents and traits I've never seen anywhere else.

I realize this is an awesome responsibility. The Echo will celebrate its 130th birthday in 2014. It is one of the most award-winning community newspapers in Canada with a venerable history. That is a tradition we should all want to see continue. To succeed, we must maintain your trust and the trust of the business community. Our prices will remain unchanged in 2014; our sponsorships and support to non-profit organizations will expand, starting with increasing the Echo/Times non-profit discount to match that of The Highlander.

The Highlander staff have been outstanding in helping manage the chaos of the last few days and in building that paper to where it is now. Most of all, I'd like to thank the staff of the Echo, Times, Bancroft and Barry's Bay. This is very difficult for them, and their enthusiasm and willingness to accept the future with open minds is highly impressive. It speaks to the hard work and strength of character that built these publications into trusted touchstones.

We are sorry that Jenn Watt and Chad Ingram have decided not to join us. Both are talented journalists who have contributed immensely to the community and that contribution will be missed by our readers. We were looking forward to their help in this transition and with taking the Echo and Times forward. It was, however, their decision alone and we respect that. Steve Galea has also decided not to participate, meaning a few less chuckles every week for now. We wish all of them the very best and thank them for the respect and affection they have earned for their papers from so many of our readers.

This will be my last column for the foreseeable future. I think you've heard enough from me and my focus has to be on managing the business of the papers. I've very much appreciated your feedback and encouragement and know that our editors will continue to provide interesting and provocative opinions. I didn't expect to go out with a last column about saucers, but there you go: the future tends to be unpredictable.

And so it is.



Snowy scene

photo by Darren Lum

Bright and shining lights

IHAVE WALKED UP and down Riverside Drive and through the village of Haliburton hundreds of times in my life in this village. It is a beautiful town all year round. As we approach the end of the year and the days keep getting shorter I still love to walk because now people have carefully placed Christmas lights to brighten up their homes, their businesses and the local park. The homes and the streets shine in a different way at this time of year. Not only are the outsides beautiful, but often I can see light shining from the inside out. We all take such care to make our homes inviting, festive and cozy at this time of year. We take the time to dig through the closets and the basements and the attics, and under the bed to find all the special decorations (even the frog that sings Jingle Bells and drives me crazy every Christmas). We make the time to intentionally brighten up our homes in our unique way. For some it is big and fancy, others a simple plant or display of Christmas cards.

The interesting thing about this time of year (which is often challenging for those of us who like the longer days

and being able to sit outside a night) is that we need the shorter days and the darkness to see the beauty of the inner and outer lights on our houses and businesses. We need the dark as much as we need the light. It invites different possibilities and opportunities into our lives.

The yogi's think of their bodies as their homes and use all kinds of images and language to encourage people to treat their "inner dwelling" with complete love and respect. We need to give our bodies the same kind of attention and dedication that we give to our families, work, community life and hobbies.

Yoga is a practice where we regularly turn inward (into every corner of our bodies) so that we can find and cultivate our own inner light and then let it shine out brightly into the world. Every time I look at a beautiful set of Christmas lights I am reminded of this process. It is magical. I hope you take time to enjoy all the beautiful decorations inside and outside this season. May your home be filled with lots of love and light!

Lynda Shadbolt

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points of view

Changing residences

Gerald Irish

A senior's moment

During our lifetimes we have been required to change abodes many times.

This is why this last move into a condominium in the village has me wondering why it was so difficult to adjust.

We had a beautiful home, a great stretch of lawn and we had created gardens, which to us were wonderful. But, the hardest part was downsizing – getting rid of things that we had accumulated on our many trips to other parts of the world. We had also collected other memories in our day-to-day lives and travels.

Our kids did not want our things and the memories associated with them, nor did our other family members and friends.

Why don't they want our memories?

It has only been recently that I have come to realize that the memories do not reside in the objects but they live on in our minds and our hearts.

The stuff we had collected was merely that, stuff.

We must all learn to appreciate the "now." The "now" may not be with us much longer.

Please, get up from your chair. Go. Pour yourself a drink of something. Raise your glass and join me in a toast..." here's to life and here's to now."

Thanks to our *Echo* friends

To the Editor,

Some of us know them personally, and some of us know them through the information and ideas they offer every week. Jenn Watt, Steve Galea and Chad Ingram left the *Echo* when it changed hands last week. Change seems to happen a lot quicker these days than it once did, and the changes to our 120 year old local paper had the rumours on Highland Street flying. As the dust settles on a whole new media organization called Maple Key Media, we owe a nod of recognition to the journalists we will miss.

They didn't have time to write a "so long, it's been good to know ya" piece. Jenn Watt's last editorial was about saving for retirement. Not that Jenn will retire. Martha Perkins, former *Echo* editor, says it best on a social media site.

"We hope everyone realizes what a wise, ethical and dedicated stew-

ard of the newspapers you have been. You are such a talented journalist who gave a lot of herself. We are grateful for and proud of what you've achieved. We now wish you nothing but success as you move forward."

Steve's last column was about household drama when worlds collide in the laundry room. His columns connected us with nature in fun and serious ways, and his comical summer hijinks with the summer interns brought many smiles to my household.

On Dec. 10, Chad's editorial in the Minden Times was about the current "unstable job market". He attended a lot of local meetings on our behalf, and reported on the municipality in a concise, knowledgeable way.

Thanks to Jenn, Steve and Chad. Keep in touch.

Janet Trull
Haliburton Lake

Hanging up the phone

To the Editor,

Well I am finally hanging up the phone at Curry Chevrolet. After over thirty-three years I feel it is time.

I want to thank Curry Motors and Curry Chevrolet for putting up with me. Most of all I want to thank Len Salvatori for his guidance while working for him.

I have met a lot of wonderful cus-

tomers over the years and I will certainly miss them. It will be quite a change for me but I know I can handle it.

I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy 2014.

Thanks and God bless,
Helen Burke



pic of the past

This picture was taken in 1951 of Fred and Ada Reynolds and my Grandpa James (Jamie) Reynolds and (me) Merrie Reynolds (Barry). I was born on Dec. 23, 1949 and we lived at the farm on the Barry Line in West Guilford. This picture was taken in Haliburton. I believe I was 2-1/2 yrs old. My grandpa was living in Aticoken James Bay, Ont. since WW1 and he came home once to see his 10 grandchildren. In the war he was a Lieutenant and received four medals. One was a Medal of Valor. Submitted by Merrie Barry. In last week's pic of the past, it was said that Lucy Lee had two grandsons and one niece in the county. There are two grandsons and one granddaughter in the county. She has 4 other grandchildren across Canada.

BOONEVILLE



Holiday music in the Highlands

Left, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student Joanie Tyler, who was led by Melissa Stephens, of the Grade 10, 11, and 12 class, performs *Colliding Visions* at the Holiday Music concert at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton on Tuesday night, Dec. 17. There were close to 80 people who attended the event.

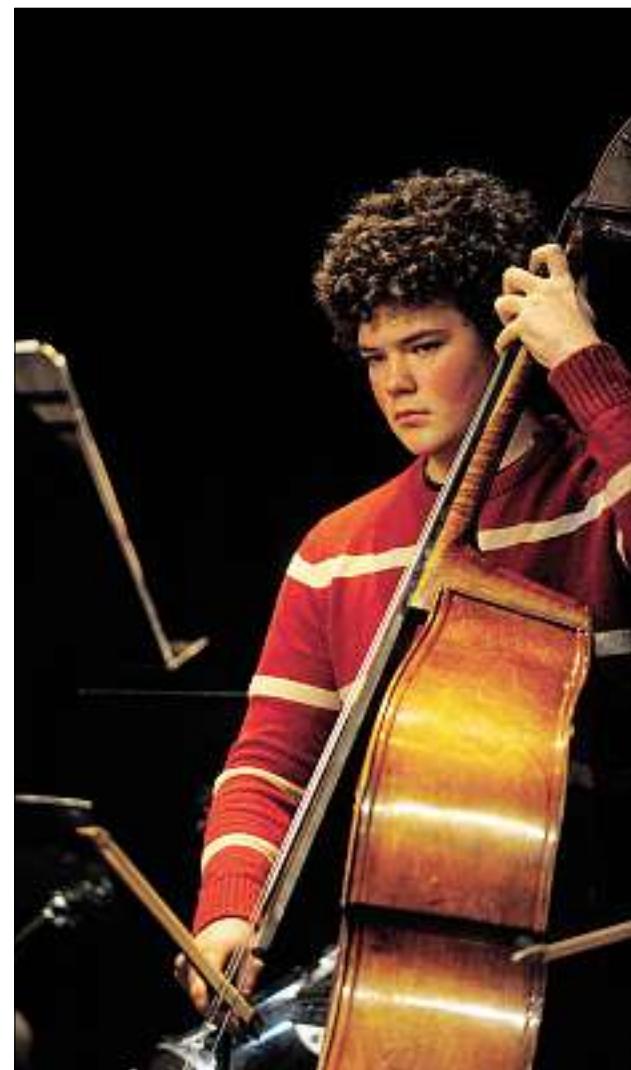
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Haliburton Highlands Secondary School teacher and conductor Melissa Stephens gives direction.



The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School vocal ensemble sing *Santa Baby*.



Haliburton Highlands Secondary School student Spencer Devolin performs.

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Children create Christmas cards at the Play in the Park after-school program offered through the Dysart township at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton on Wednesday. This program is from 3:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. (possible change to start 3:45) and includes outdoor play. The last Wednesday of the month the program moves to the gallery. This is possible through the township's pilot recreation program organized by Andrea Mueller. This is a non-supervised event. In January there are plans for an ice fishing opportunity. For more information call her at 705-457-1740 or amueller@dysartetal.ca.

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County puts off TSW meeting to new year

Lisa Harrison
Special to the Echo

A county letter to the Honourable Leona Aglukkaq, Minister of the Environment, regarding the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW) has been delayed into the New Year.

The letter will request a meeting with the minister, new to her portfolio, to ensure she fully understands the concerns of county municipalities over how water level decisions are made in order to help avoid a repeat of this year's spring flooding in 2014.

Local MP Barry Devolin has tentatively scheduled a meeting Jan. 9 to discuss the topic, according to county councillor Carol Moffatt. Devolin has pledged to make TSW management his primary project during his final years in office.

Moffatt told fellow councillors Devolin is inviting the four county reeves as well as representatives from the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations, the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow and other interested groups. Councillors agreed with her recommendation that council delay sending the letter until after the meeting in order to have that context as background.



REMOTE TRANSFER

December 16, 2013

Sadden heart and Lasting memories

Dear Editor

I wish to start by clearing a few issues up that has been brought to my attention. Previously in the headlines in one of the local papers, it made a reference "NEW COMPANY TAKES OVER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES". Remote Transfer is still up and running as usual. We will continue to provide professional private transfers to meet your needs, and the needs of the community. A new company form London Ontario, will be servicing the hospitals.

It comes with a sadden heart that I wish to say thank-you to the hospitals for allowing me to provide non-urgent transfers for over 6years. I have gained much knowledge in the importance of just listening to the client. I have transferred many clients and their families, each with different illnesses or reasons, but our staff, always provided care from the heart. It also saddens me to think about the families and their losses. I may only of met them but it seemed like we had a lifelong friend ship and I feel that is what a small community is all about. So with saying that with every transfer came lasting memories of tears shared, and of much laughter, and who can forget the coffee and snacks form Tim's around the corner form CT, Scan.

It is also has been hard for me to have to lay off two of the most kind hearted and dedicated staff anyone could ask for. You were my right arms, and I thank you so much words cannot say.

I also am announcing that as of DECEMBER 31, 2013 at 12:00 MIDNIGHT, Remote Transfer, will no longer be doing anymore transfers for the hospitals. As New Company was to take over hospital as of December 1, 2013.

If there is anything I can do for the hospitals in the future do not hesitate to call.

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Trails are open

Glebe Park has 13 kilometres of trail (track is set and skating available) opened, as seen by Tom Stefopoulos skiing on the Lookout Loop accessed off the Glebe Park Trails on Saturday, Dec. 14. This trail is part of the network of trails maintained by the non-profit community based Haliburton Highlands Nordic Trail and Ski Club Association. See www.skihaliburton.com for more information. Submitted by Mike Darlington

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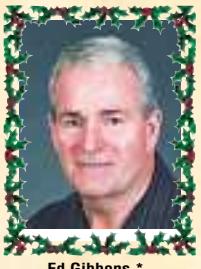
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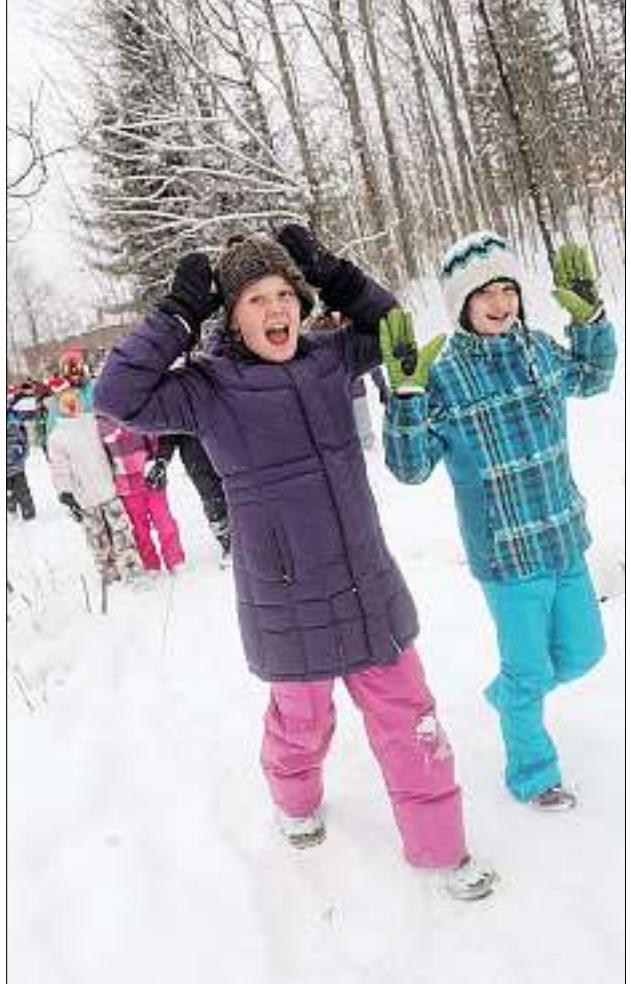
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Toy town

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary Grade 8 students Brittany Imasuen, left, and Kayla Bird show the 255 toys collected for the first Be the Change Holiday Drive. Bird, the drive's organizer, wanted to make a difference this holiday season. The toys were donated locally, adding to the fire department's toy drive and to the Sick Kids Hospital in Toronto. This was a JDHES Speak Up initiative. The school also raised money through "rafikis" or friend chain for a child in a developing nation and collected 300 Foodland Turkey bucks. Teacher Lorie Reddering helped with the event. Darren Lum Staff



Reindeer games

Right, JDH students hold their hands up like antlers for the first ever Reindeer Run that followed the snow-covered trail behind the school on Thursday, Dec. 19. There were more than 300 students from Grade 4 to 8 who participated in the Ugly Sweater Run inspired event. Darren Lum Staff

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They didn't tolerate gambling and heavy drinking. They had a pretty fair idea about people's characters. It was important to work hard, be charitable to those in need and raise children who were good citizens.

So when Eva Curry ran away from her Haliburton home in the mid 1920s and ended up in Sing Sing prison for murder, it is no surprise the Curry family didn't drive down to the state of New York to visit. Nor did they claim the body after her execution. Eva Curry, in the code of a frontier town, had chosen her own path, and her sister, Margaret, made that clear when interviewed by the press the day after Eva went to the electric chair. "Eva has been dead to her family for 17 years," she told the New York Times in 1935.

For those who didn't care to live in a town where everyone knew your business and where there was always a cousin looking over your shoulder to report back to your parents, the train left for Toronto regularly. Eva Curry was only 17 when she headed to the big city. She stayed with her married older sister, Elizabeth, for a while, and worked as a nurse until she married William Coo, a railroad man. The young couple moved to Calgary, but the marriage didn't last and somehow Eva found her way back east.

Because of the Great Depression, there were a lot of people riding the rails. Rumours abounded about possible employment. A fellow looking for work might hop a train to pick apples in the Okanagan Valley in British Columbia, and then, when the harvest was over, he'd hop another train and follow another rumour. Of course in the '30s, there were always more men wanting work than there were jobs. Hobo jungles were full of those who were down on their luck. Bread lines in the big cities stretched for blocks as unemployed men lined up for a bowl of soup. It was a decade of hunger.

Rambling far from their homes, men were often hungry for

more than food. They were hungry for a little comfort. A smile. A dance with a girl. Eva figured out how to turn those needs into a business. Close to the railway station in the town of Oneonta, N.Y., she purchased a roadhouse establishment and called it "Little Eva's Place."

How did Eva end up in the Allegheny region of upstate New York? Maybe she was just passing through and found Oneonta was not much different than Haliburton. Crumhorn Mountain was nearby, a popular summer resort on a picturesque lake attracting tourists from cities such as Albany and Buffalo. Was Eva just a little bit homesick for the rolling hills of the Highlands?

By all accounts Eva was a social girl, and that may have been the reason she wasn't suited for married life. Nevertheless, she became a successful entrepreneur. In his e-book about women who received the death penalty called *The Last Stop*, Mark Gado included a chapter about Eva, describing her as, "... a boisterous, outgoing woman with a quick sense of humour who could always be counted on for a good time. She was 5' 7" and weighed a muscular 170 pounds. Everyone knew Eva and she knew everyone else, including politicians and police."

Outfitted with a dance floor and a couple of back rooms, Eva's roadhouse offered the "company of women" to lonely men folk. But the real cash to be made in those prohibition years would have been in the sale of alcohol. Little Eva's Place, like speakeasies across North America, was involved in the highly profitable business of bootlegging whiskey. She turned a tidy profit for a few years while judges and lawmen looked the other way. Then circumstances turned against her.

When the railway that ran through Oneonta was redirected, the town became ghostly quiet. Business literally dried up. Our Eva was nothing if not resourceful, however, and she figured out a way to get her hands on the inheritance money of her crippled handyman, Harry Wright. Apparently, Harry's mother had been a friend of Eva's, and when she was dying entrusted Eva to look out for her son. It wasn't an unusual request. The stories about Eva indicate she looked out for a lot of people. She had created a kind of family out of the "working girls" and the drifters who ended up in her employ. She appeared to have a heart of gold.

In mid-June, 1934, Eva called police to report that "Gimpy," her handyman, was missing. He was known in the community as a drinker, so her claim that he disappeared after a binge with the bottle wasn't questioned. Police searched the highways and back roads in the area and, sure enough, the mangled body of Harry Wright was in a roadside ditch off Route 7 about half a mile from Eva's Place. The conclusion they came



Eva Curry, a teenage runaway from Haliburton, was executed in the electric chair in Sing Sing Prison in 1934 for committing a grizzly murder. Submitted

to seemed obvious; Harry Wright had stumbled into the path of a hit-and-run driver. Eva took care of the funeral details, and Harry Wright was interred in the local cemetery.

The website wegoback.wordpress.com, explains what happened next. "Things might not have ended as badly as they did, had Eva waited a bit longer to cash in on the \$12,000 insurance policy she held on Harry's life. The claim was processed, but the insurance company became suspicious and took their suspicions to the police. An autopsy was conducted on Wright and

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Share your story about the Highlands

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the coroner ruled the death suspicious. It was later discovered that on the night of Wright's death, Eva and her friend Martha Clift were reported to be trespassing on an old farm near Crumhorn Mountain. That was enough for the sheriff's office."

When the knock came at the door, Eva and her partner in crime Martha were no doubt hoping for a cheque from the insurance company, but instead, they got handcuffs. As soon as the women were locked up, deputies returned to search Eva's Place and found a number of insurance policies Eva had taken out on employees, friends and neighbours. They all named Eva as the beneficiary, providing a motive and malicious intent. Eva confessed to the crime, admitting she and Martha Clift had taken Wright to an old farmhouse near Crumhorn Mountain on the evening of June 14, 1934.

Martha smashed his head in with a mallet, Eva claimed, and then ran over his body using a friend's car, a Willys-Knight. The women threw Wright's body into a ditch alongside the highway, assuming that the blame for his death would fall on a driver who fled the scene. Hit-and-run crimes were a lot more com-

mon in the days before CSI. Martha told the same story in her statement to police, except she named Eva as the murderer.

Back in Haliburton, the Curry family was shocked to learn that Eva was on trial for murder. The last they had heard, she was in New York and was going to the hospital for an operation. When they didn't receive any further correspondence from her, they assumed she hadn't survived. By this time her father had passed away. Her mother took the news hard and became seriously ill.

After a sensational trial in Cooperstown, N.Y., where the crowds were treated to a grotesque exhumation of the victim's body, Martha Clift, the mother of two young children and an employee of Eva's, was sentenced to 20 years in jail for second degree murder.

Eva, convicted of murder in the first degree, was sentenced to death in the electric chair. Reports agree that Eva's lawyers were more interested in their own notoriety than Eva's defence, and it seemed the well-connected friends who had frequented her establishment were nowhere to be found.

The good times were over, and Eva spent her days on Death Row without visitors.

The Daily Argus reported her execution in their June 28, 1935 edition. "Eva Coo Dies In Chair at Sing Sing. A grave beside that of the handyman she murdered for \$12,000 insurance awaited Eva Coo today. She paid for his life with hers in the electric chair at Sing Sing Prison last night. Whether she actually would be buried in the plot she had selected for herself and Harry Wright in quiet Cooperstown was to be decided after word was received from relatives in Ontario. Mrs. Coo went dazedly to her death with no last-minute denial of the crime. 'Good-bye, darlings,' was all she said. She addressed two matrons who stood weeping before the chair, clinging to the arms of a white-haired guard. They formed a screen between the woman in the flowered blue print and 22 witnesses. The chaplain intoned the 23rd Psalm - The Lord is My Shepherd - and the current crackled."

When no family members arrived to claim her body, Eva was buried in an unmarked grave near the prison.

Do you have a story to share about the Haliburton Highlands? The Town Dock is the place to reflect on the people and experiences that make this community unique. Send story ideas to haliburtonlake@gmail.com.

Wrapping it up

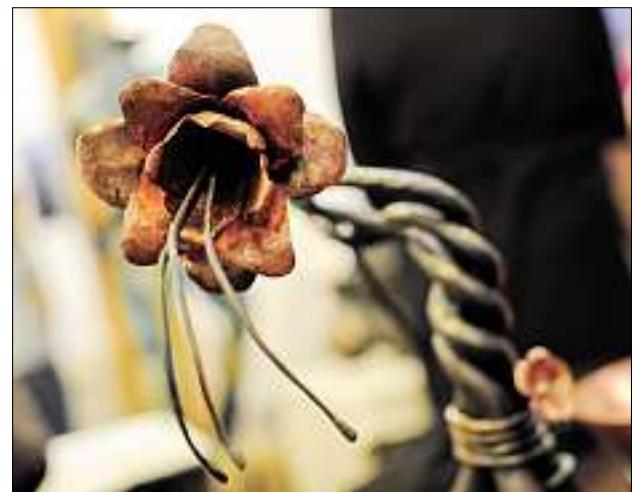
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Fleming College student Anna Luckai, left, with her Hempt (loose derivative of shirt in German) clothing line speaks with a visitor during the event.



Fleming College student Cherie Charlie, left, speaks with Dysart Township Reeve Murray Fearrey and Donna McCallum while buying a bracelet during the Wrap It Up event at Fleming College's Haliburton Campus on Saturday, Dec. 14. The Fleming student-run end-of-semester art exhibition had 45 artists participate with works in painting, drawing, fibre arts, photography, iron sculpture, ceramics and mixed media.



Fleming College student JP Laframboise's sculpture was one of hundreds of pieces for sale and showcase during the Wrap It Up event at the Haliburton campus Fleming College on Saturday, Dec. 14.

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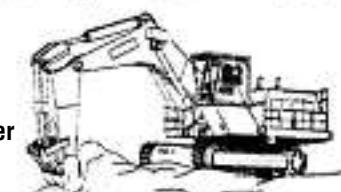
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New Year's Eve to beat the band

Maybelle's



Fireside stories

Well look at that, will you? New Year's Eve is just seven days away and if we all didn't get together to plan doing something new and different to ring it in. Something wild and wacky, fun and crazy. Something we'd never done before, don'tcha know.

Now, eating canapés and chatting 'til midnight is fine, we've been doing that for years. But THIS year, Vilma Yucc, Officer Stanley Penelope McBottom, Twindle Mumbly, Beanpole Starkman, Sybil Beaucannon Hughes

(which reminds me, I need to call her), and ol' Maybelle, why we just wanted some fresh air, don'tcha know. A New Year's Eve like no other that would turn our crank and have us yapping about it for years.

Oh, the list of ideas was bananas. In fact, it was the whole produce section. And out of all those suggestions - and we were thinking outside of the Kleenex box - we finally settled on this event: Bowl-in-the-Dark New Year's Eve Bash with the hot rock group, Gastritis! Right here in Lake WhaddayathinkImean!

Why Sybil just about went faint when the band called and said they'd do it. She's got the wildest crush on Stix Tooya, who Rolling Stone named the #1 most popular drummer of all time, in the greater Brooklyn Ontario area, don'tcha know.

And Vilma, well, if she wasn't so smitten on Officer McB, I think Stix would have a new groupie. You shoulda seen her the first time he came to town. She took one look at Stix and swooned: "He look like Tom Cruising." I think I've mentioned before, Vilma is still learning to speak Canadian.

Twindle's pretty excited, too. After all, Stix is his twin brother who he hasn't seen in a dog's age. Stix's real name is Dwindle and he looks as much like Twindle as Kate Middleton looks like Rosanne Barr. And while Twindle sounds like he's got a mouth full of marbles, Dwindle sounds like pure velvet fog.

So, after putting our noggins together and coming up with

our big Bowl-in-the-Dark New Year's Eve idea, we got together with Flip and Flo Fitzenbaum, owners of the Lake WhaddayathinkImean Bowlerama, and if they didn't go over the moon crazy for it.

"Bowling in the dark?!" Flip said. "Why, that's just crazy enough to work! 'Course, we'll have to use rubber balls instead of bowling balls soze folks don't go breaking up the place...or each other."

So, we all started practicing bowling in the dark in Twindle's garage using milk cartons as pins and rubber kick-balls (about the size of a tether ball), don'tcha know. And since there was no electricity, it was pitch in there and perfect. Not only couldn't we see the milk cartons twenty-four feet away ... we couldn't see each other.

Imagine, rolling a rubber ball on a cement floor at a target you can't see, then making your way across the room in the dark to feel around for the milk cartons soze you know how many, if any, you knocked down, and bumping into your friends on the way.

Yep, with three of us rolling at the same time, getting hit in the shins with the rubber ball, and inadvertently playing bump-macars with each other, why we laughed so hard our larynx wobbled like jello.

Flip and Flo put posters all over town advertising the event and yours truly has been telling folks about it on my homegrown radio show: Fireside Stories from Lake WhaddayathinkImean, ever since. And guess what? The whole town's coming. Okay ... half the town. Uh ... a quarter MAYBE, but that's a lot. And I'm sure more will come once they realize all of Gastritis will be there: lead singer Beans Bendel, keyboardist Bow Wow Epstein, bass genius Cliff Hanger, guitaris Shlemmy Kugelblintz, and, of course, the great Stix Tooya on drums.

Scuze me, there's someone at my door.

"Twindle?"

"Hello, Maybelle."

"Oh dear, you look white as a sheet. Come in and take a load off."

And that's exactly what Twindle did. I'm writing this after the fact.

What happened was ... Twindle told me about a problem he's had with his twin brother, Stix (Dwindle) since they were kids.

And now that Stix is coming to Lake W and about to be fawned over by EVERYONE, he's having trouble with it again.

You see, Stix entered this world with irresistible charisma. So powerful that everyone he came into contact with fell under its spell...while Twindle, on the other hand, was chopped liver.

Now, it was all coming back to haunt him.

"I'm so ashamed," Twindle said. "I should be happy for him. He's my brother. I love him. But I just feel like squashing his face in a grapefruit."

"How about peach purée instead?" I said, "Better for the complexion."

"Maybelle!" Twindle shouted. "You're making fun of me."

"No, Twindle. I just don't know what to say. It's so hard having a sibling who gets so much attention. I was just trying to make light of it because I don't like seeing you so upset." Twindle smiled a sad smile and admitted that it's been tough being jealous of his brother all these years.

Then, two days later, a surprising thing happened. Stix showed up at Twindle's door.

"Stix? What are you doing here?" Twindle said. "New Year's is a whole week away."

"I need to see you now."

Over a long cup of java, he told Twindle: "I thought I had everything...money, fame, women who love me, men who worship me, dogs who don't bite me ... plus, I'm the happiest drummer in the world."

"Then why are you crying, Stix?"

"I missed my brother."

"You did? Uh, you do?"

"Yeah man. And I miss being ... ME! Dwindle Mumbly from Lake WhaddayathinkImean."

"Dwindle, don't cry. Your mascara's going to glue your eyelids shut."

And THAT, dear readers, is the unexpected happy part of this story that tells me that 2014 is about to bring many surprise happy endings...and beginnings. And that goes for you, too. Happy almost New Year!

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Read "Maybelle's Cure for What Ails You," an e-book available at amazon.ca.

Greetings and blessings of the season to all readers

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Susan Norcross's family held their annual Christmas party this year in Mississauga. Their circle was complete on Dec. 14. with Helen Barkley, Susan's grandmother able to present from her Haliburton apartment and her brother Glendon from Edmonton joining the rest.

Our great pride and joy of news is that our granddaughter, Melissa Cooper, managed to climb to the summit of Kilimanjaro just prior to her return to Canada on Dec. 20.

Melissa was continuing a co-op part of her P.R. degree from

Mount St. Vincent University in Halifax when several of the students were given the opportunity to go to Kenyatta University as part of their education.

Greetings and blessings of the season to all the readers of this column. May you enjoy a happy Christmastide entirely as God showers you with His blessed gift of love.

Happy Christmas birthday to one who is a former Guilford resident, Carol Duncan.

Her two daughters, Heather and Laurel, hosted a party for her at Extendicare on her 90th birthday Wednesday afternoon.

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NOTICE
(Applicant - KEMP)

IN THE MATTER OF THE *MUNICIPAL ACT* AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF LITTLE GLAMOR LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures, that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, 2014, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Part Lot 3, Concession 13, Township of Monmouth, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Part 1 on Plan 19R-9568.

The Preliminary Plan of Survey as referred to above is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be prejudicially affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 24th day of December, 2013.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

- DATE: Wednesday, January 8th, 2014
- TIME: 11:00 am.
- LOCATION: Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-13-016 – Fincham
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit the applicant to sever a portion of their lot, which is located in the WR4 zone:
 - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot which zoned WR4 to have a minimum lot area of 2300 sq. metres (0.57 acres) as opposed to the required 2785 sq. metres (0.6882 acres).
 - b) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot which is zoned WR4 to have a minimum lot frontage of 32 metres (105 feet) as opposed to the required 60 metres (196.8 feet).
 - This application is a condition of application for consent H-017/13.
 - Location: Part Lot 18, Concession 3, Lot 31, Plan 402 in the geographic Township of Havelock (Kennisis Lake – Kennisis Lake Road).
2. D13-MV-13-017 – Haliburton By The Lake Owners Association
 - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a picnic shelter and storage shed on a property located in the OS zone:
 - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a picnic shelter and storage shed to have a minimum water setback of 21 metres (69 feet) as opposed to the required 30 metres (98.43 feet).
 - Location: Part Lot 15, Concession 8, Block 85, Plan 623 in the geographic Township of Dysart (Head Lake – Emmerson Court).

ANY PERSON is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.

FURTHER INFORMATION: including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Jeff Iles
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Committee of Adjustment

community calendar

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Matthew Desrosiers Editor

Christmas Season 2013

Solemnity of Christmas
Prelude - Sacred Music & Carol Singing - 7:00 pm

Christmas Eve
Tuesday, December 24 - Haliburton - 7:30 pm
Tuesday, December 24 - Bancroft - 7:30 pm

Christmas Day
Wednesday, December 25
Bancroft - 9:00 am

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Saturday, December 28 - Haliburton
Vigil Mass - 4:30 pm
Sunday, December 29 - Bancroft - 9:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God
Haliburton - New Year's Eve
Tuesday, December 31 - 4:30 pm
Vigil Mass - 4:30 pm
Bancroft - New Year's Day
Wednesday, January 1 - 9:00 am

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Everyone is welcome. Please come out and support Haliburton Legion Branch 12. Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and all the best in 2014!

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Friday, December 20

Celebration of Remembrance & Hope at Christmas 7:30 pm at St. George's

Sunday Dec. 22

Regular service times - Lesson's & Carols at St. George's and St. Margaret's

Tuesday, December 24

at St. George's
4:30 pm - Family Service,
7:30 pm Carols, 8 pm service

Tuesday, Dec. 24

at St. Margaret's 10 pm service.

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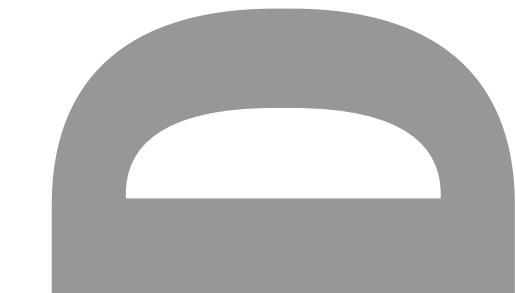
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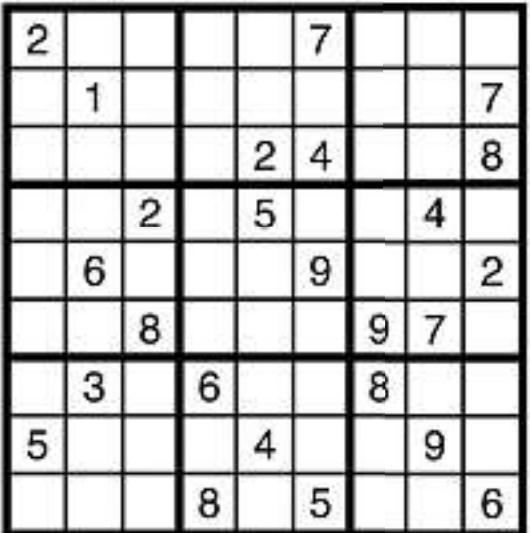
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7	8	1	2	3	4	5	6	9
6	7	4	5	2	3	8	9	1
5	2	1	8	7	6	3	4	9
8	6	9	1	3	5	7	2	4
3	4	7	5	6	2	9	8	1
1	2	9	8	4	3	6	5	7
6	5	3	7	1	9	2	4	8
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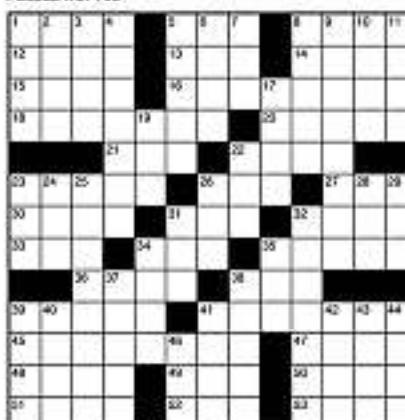
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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.

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PUZZLE NO. 702



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- Twitches
- Center
- Extensions
- Soreness
- Shelley uttering
- Loan
- Eye lubricant
- Deserted
- Entrance
- Formed a crust
- Boat propeller
- Motives
- Starled
- Pursue
- Devotee
- Native metals

DOWN

- Londoner's farewell; 2 wds.
- Bakery employee
- Blacken
- Ernest
- Grinding tooth
- Religious statue
- Burrow
- Paper
- Searches; 2 wds.
- Citrus fruit
- Husky's lead
- Cavern reply

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